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Long-term E.S.C. project *SWALLOWS OF SOLIDARITY*

an E.S.C. project of 6 months in the Associazione Antigóna, based in **Bologna** (Italy)



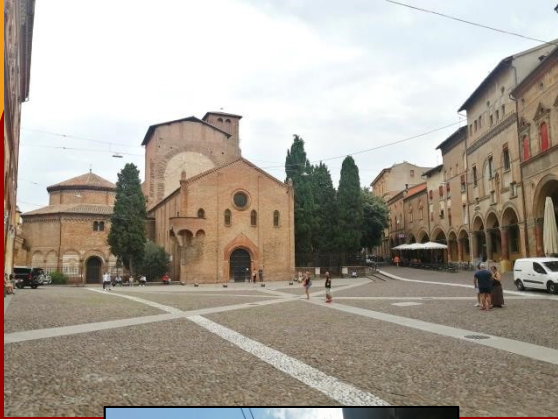
Antigóna
rondini della solidarietà

ABOUT THE CITY:

Bologna is the capital of Emilia-Romagna region, in Northern Italy. It is the 7th most populous city in Italy, with about 390,000 inhabitants and 150 different nationalities.

The city has been one of the most important urban centres for centuries, under the Etruscans (as Felsina), then under the Celts (as Bona), later under the Romans (as Bononia), then again in the Middle Ages, as a free town, when it was among the biggest European cities by population. Famous for its towers, churches and lengthy porticoes, Bologna has a well-preserved historical centre. Home to the oldest university in the world, the University of Bologna, established in 1088, the city has a high student population that gives it a cosmopolitan character.

Bologna is an important agricultural, industrial, financial and transport hub, where many large mechanical, electronic and food companies have their headquarters, as well as one of the largest permanent trade fairs in Europe. Bologna is also one of the wealthiest cities in Italy, often ranking as one of the top cities in terms of quality of life in the country.



ABOUT US:

Antigóna is a non-profit organization, created on 7.2.2008. Its registered office is located in Bologna, in Via dello Scalo 10, and its operational headquarters is in the same road, Via dello Scalo 6/a. It aims to achieve the following goals:

- to conceive and implement projects of social solidarity, development cooperation and humanitarian aid;
- to inform, raise awareness, and involve the civil society, especially the youngsters, about actions aimed at solidarity, enhancing their initiative, energies and expressions of volunteering;
- to favour the self-directed progress, in social, cultural, technical and economic spheres, of sectors of unprivileged population;
- to promote the human growth, the non-formal and intercultural learning, the acquisition of skills and practical experiences and the professional training of young people motivated to develop social solidarity activities and international development cooperation.



During its 13 years of existence, Antigóna has focused its activity on three main axes:

- international cooperation, on different types of projects. We are currently collaborating on an initiative running in India;
- social computing, to allow people with less computer skills and mastery of the Italian language to carry out administrative procedures online. This activity has been our main project in Bologna for years;
- youth mobility in Europe. We are accredited as a sending, coordinating and hosting organization, and since 2018 we have sent 37 young Italians to eight different countries.

In these last few months of 2021, and even more so in 2022, we want to launch some social-welfare and relational projects in the area of our city, in favor of fragile people and for the benefit of the entire community.

ABOUT THE PROJECT:

The E.S.C. project *Swallows of Solidarity* will take place from November/December 2021, for 6 months (till April/May 2021).

The project will be mainly realized in the headquarters of the Associazione Antigóna, in *Via dello Scalo 6/a*, very close to the Bologna city center.



THE MAIN TASKS OF THE VOLUNTEER WILL BE:

TO TAKE CARE OF
THE
COMMUNICATION
ASPECTS OF THE
ORGANIZATION

including its social
channels (website,
Facebook/Instagram
pages, newsletters
and blogs)

PARTICIPATING IN
OUR **4 RUNNING**
PROJECTS,
ACCORDING TO
YOUR PREFERENCES
AND SKILLS

managing activities
concerning the E.S.C. as a
sending organization,
helping people in trouble
with administrative online
procedures, visiting and
taking care of fragile and
needy persons in our
neighborhood

TO HELP IN
DRAWING UP AND
DEVELOP **FUTURE**
PROJECTS AND
INITIATIVES

related both with
European Union
programs and with
other contexts

YOU WILL TAKE PART
IN **VARIOUS**
MEETINGS

related to the E.S.C.,
with local partners,
with other
volunteers...



WORKING TIME OF THE VOLUNTEER

30 hours per week (generally from Monday to Friday) + 2 or 3 hours per week for meetings with the staff of Antigóna and Italian classes.

WHO ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

The participant has to be resident in an E.U. country and must be motivated in delving into the Italian culture.

You are eligible to apply if:

- you are 18 to 30 years old;
- you have not done any previous long-term experience of European Voluntary Service / European Solidarity Corps.

NECESSARY REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE

- Skills in working extensively with computer (it is desirable the participant brings its own PC);
- previous experiences or strong interest in new media and communication field;
- a great motivation to work in a non-profit organization, on structured projects concerning social matters;
- open minded and very flexible, because the tasks assigned will be diversified and rapidly mutable, following the projects' dynamics;
- a basic knowledge of Italian language (level A2), and a sounded interest in plunging in Italian culture.

PRACTICAL ARRANGEMENTS

Pocket money: 150 euro/month.

Food money: 160 euro/month.

Travel tickets from the place of origin to Bologna and back (up to the amount fixed by the E.S.C. program).

Support to improve the fluency in the Italian language (through E.S.C.'s Online Linguistic Support, or in other ways).

Any arrangement concerning the E.S.C. trainings in Italy.

Accommodation in a double room, shared with other volunteers or students whenever possible, in an apartment with internet access and kitchen facility.

If necessary, bus City Pass valid for the town of Bologna.

Mentoring and tutoring during the whole project.

YOU WILL LEARN
HOW TO ACT AND
WORK IN A SMALL
SCALE NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATION

WHAT WILL YOU GAIN?

YOU WILL MAKE
NEW FRIENDS

YOU WILL LEARN
HOW TO DEAL WITH
CHANGES, INSIDE
AND OUTSIDE WORK

YOU WILL BE
TRAINED ABOUT THE
TASKS OF MEDIA
COMMUNICATION IN
NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATIONS

YOU WILL DISCOVER
THE ITALIAN
CULTURE IN A LIVELY
CITY, FULL OF
YOUNG PEOPLE

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS	1
PROJECT DURATION	NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2021 – APRIL/MAY 2022 (6 months)
LEAD/HOSTING ORGANIZATION	Associazione Antigóna
SENDING ORGANIZATION	To be determined

If you are interested in moving to Bologna and participating in this project, please **send your C.V. and a motivation letter**, in Italian or in English, **to the email address esc.antigona@gmail.com**.



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